



AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

EXPEDITED PROCEDURE

GROUP 3726

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q64020

Shinobu HASEGAWA, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/833,815

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the outstanding final Office Action of August 23, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claim:

(Twice Amended) A roller member, which is used in OA apparatuses for imparting a charge, eliminating a charge, or removing toner adhered onto the surface of a transfer belt or a transfer-conveyor belt, comprising a metallic core roller and an unshrinkable sleeve, wherein the core roller is pressed into the unshrinkable sleeve and the sleeve is heat-welded onto the surface

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